



State of California
The Resources Agency
Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

PROJECT TITLE	Watts Fire Road Repair		
PROJECT LOCATION	Watts and Stumpfield Rd. SW ¼ of the SW ¼ of section 4 T6S R 20 W MDM	COUNTY	Mariposa
LEAD AGENCY	Department of Forestry and Fire Protection		
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) is proposing to repair the Watts Fire Road. The project is located approximately 1.5 miles south of Hwy. 49 at the junction of Stumpfield Mountain Road. The first 700 feet of Watts Fire Road is eroded and passably only with four wheel drive vehicles. The road segment has gullies along the length of it where water and sediment flows into a Class III watercourse. This project proposes to back blade and fill-in the gullies. In addition, CAL FIRE will construct 3-5 rolling dips along the road and one critical dip uphill from the Class III watercourse to divert water and sediment to a vegetated filter strip.

EXEMPTION STATUS

- ☒ Categorical Exemption Type/Section: Class § Section 15302 Reconstruction of a Existing Facility
§ Section 15304 Minor Alteration of Land
- ☐ Statutory Exemption (state code section):
- ☐ Ministerial (§21080(b)(1); 15268)
- ☐ Declared Emergency (§21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
- ☐ Emergency Project (§21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))

REASONS PROJECT IS EXEMPT

Per 14 CCR Sections 15302 and 15304 this project involves the minor alteration of land and the reconstruction of an existing road surface. CAL FIRE staff have conducted a limited environmental review to ensure that exceptions do not exist that would preclude the use of these exemptions. CAL FIRE finds that the project will not have a significant effect on air, water, biological or cultural resources and will not result in significant emissions of greenhouse gasses.

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